



Case PA-153

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :  
René C. Gaudreault et al. : Group Art Unit: 1621  
Serial No.: 09/741,814 : Examiner: Dr. Jean F. Vollano  
Filed: December 22, 2000 :  
For:  $\beta$  - TUBULIN INHIBITORS :

AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated August 14, 2002, the time for response to which having been extended by the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time up to and including February 14, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification as follows:

Please add the following paragraph to page 3 (line 22), after the phrase "acceptable salts thereof." :

In accordance with the present invention, there is also provided a method for detecting protein alkylation achieved by a compound of formula I, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof:

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